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Government of Bengal.

OFFICE OF Dy. Commissioner of Police,

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Special.

DEPARTMENT.

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"Chhatrabani"

NOTES AND ORDERS

26 Memo. No. C.I. - 11 (Gen) dt- 25.11.39 from U.I. SB

Ac. I.

Perusal of Pg. 26 with refer to Govt. Notification at Pgs. 24+25.
With regard to no. the title of the pamphlet may be
referenced.

U.I. SB. may be informed telegraphically or
by Xpress letter that no. (2) is proscribed & no.
+ date of the notification given.

all
28/11

Drafted

28/11
+1

yes.

Re 1. - refer above.

no ref

28/11

Jm

28/11

DC

Perusal

The name of no (1) about which the
refer section says there is no refer. appear
so much familiar. ^{agent} Labour dealing
offices may also report. Issue
8 Sept & adding that further enquiries
are in progress?

as proposed 8th Sept

Jm

28/11

Just placed on India
board for agent dealing
offices to note & report

all
28/11

seen

46. NO. $\frac{1548}{758-39(K)}$ d/2.2.40 from J.B.

Ac. II

Perusal with referee to p. 41 (flagged)

Referee section may supply the particulars

$\frac{H.R.}{5/2}$

W.W. for a note pl.

plus 5/2

$\frac{W.W.}{5/2}$

W.W.'s note filed in SF.

Ac. II

Draft for approval (vide order above).

$\frac{ad}{M2}$

plus 12/2

28. Memo. No. 61-11 (Lam) 41-3874/38 from U.S.B.

AC.I.

- Perusal of pg. 28 with reference to pg. 27. The pamphlet "Students' Role in the Anti-Imperialist Struggle" is a small eight-page pamphlet in English. The contents are of an anti-war and communistic nature. F.R. awaited

For orders.

De

Perusal.

Ad PH
4/12

our agent dealing officers may try

& procure the pamphlet. USBA letter at p 26 shows this was printed at the Hindustan Printing Syndicate 25 Benisatona Lane (the CP's haunt). It is for consideration whether the Press should be searched for this, as the letter at p 28 shows that the pamphlet is of anti war & Communistic character & USBA have gone up for its prescription.

Ad 4/12

De

we may search the press & seize the books.

In

4/12

Yes

4/12

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De II.

as ordered on search report at pg. 33, draft to U.S.B. for approval.

Ad
11/12

S. Vamant - given
to S. Ch.

Ad
4/12

Report of J. S. Khan dt- 4/11/38

33

DC II

Remsal of lg 33. as ordered, draft for approval.

ad. P. 11/12

for 11/12

(1) Govt. of Bengal, Pol. Dept. Notification No. 7190 P. dt- 21.12.38

43+44.

~~45-46~~

(2) Memo. No. R. - Gm dt- 20.12.38 from U.P. S.B.

~~45~~ 42

DC II.

(1) Remsal of lgs. 43+44 with refer. to our letter at lg. 35.

DC's query at lg. 44 may be seen.

(2) Remsal of lg. 42. Submitted with draft for approval.

(2) Issue & then put up again
re(1). This was printed a year ago.
Feb 3/1

ad. 2/1

DC

Re 1. "Prejudicial act" by making
printing or publishing a document made, printed
or published before the ordinance came into force

has not been made punishable under the D.I. Rules,
rather protected from penal action by clause (i) of
proviso (a) and clause (i) of proviso (b) to subrule

(b) of Rule 38 of the said Rules. So no prosecution
will lie in this case - this document was made

in Decr 1938.

Only rule 40 - under which

(re forfeiture)
action has been taken - was given retrospective effect.

Tab

C.S. Refce. f. 44. We can do nothing

ad. 2/1

CVB 7/1/40

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NOTES AND ORDERS,

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✓ Agrawal - Bhouthwal - Editor "Chhatravani" -

B.

9, 46, 47,

✓ Bhattacharji — Mahadeb — M.B.P.S.F., 159A, Benbagan
Street, Calcutta — 8/0 Jatindra
Mohan of Palsadanga, Nakashipara,
Nadia.

46, 47A,

✓ Barman — Kshiti-bhusan — B.P.S.F. — is a 8/0 late
Kunja Behari of Nidya Kot, Nabnagar,
Tipperah + 55, Pratapaditya Road, Calcutta.

46,

✓ Bose — Puriaki —

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✓ Bose — Subhas Ch. —

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✓ Bhalotia — Kishan Lal — Editor "Chaitanyani" —

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✓ Bose — Chinmoy — N.A. — Student leader —

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✓ bhattarji - Shiva Prasad - of 3, P.C. Bose Lane,
Krishnagar, Nadia.

46, 47,

✓ bhattarji - Naren - (B.S.F.) - 8/0 Kamini Kumar
of Rahamatpur, Bansal + of 3 D. Chandra
mandal Lane, Balurite.

46, 47,

✓ bhatravarty - Shiva Prasad - (B.S.F.) - 8/0 J. P. Chakravarty
of Mohini Lodge, Krishnagar, + of 44,
Scotts Lane, Balurite.

18, 19, 20, 32,

✓ Datta - Bijan - (B.P.S.F.).

Printer + Publisher of the special
issue of "Chhatrabani" of
6, Agrani Datta Lane - Road.

29, 32, 33, 36,

✓ Das Gupta - Ranadhir - (E.C).

of Chittagong - + partner
of the 'Hindustan Printing
Syndicate'!!

29, 32,

✓ Das - Deb. Kumar -

Partner of the Hindustan Printing
Syndicate -

46, 47,

✓ Dasgupta - Sudhanoy - (B.S.F) 80 Lat Ashurook
of Dutshaki, Tangibani, Dacca 137,
Bombay Street, Calcutta.

46, 47A.

✓ Das - Indir - (B.S.F) - 80 Sitakanta of 7A
Jyotnarayan Lane, Bombay.

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48,

✓ Jagyabalka - Editor "Chakabani," Agins -

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✓ Jain - Rabi Chandre - Editor "Chakabani" -

29, 33,

✓ Brandu —

umendra Nath — (E. C)

Partner of the "Hindustan Printing
Syndicate"

46,

✓ Kumar - Sudhin - Printing Secy. A.I. Students' Cong.

20, 21, 22,

✓ Lane —

no: 7, Murali Dhar Sen —

— 'Ajanta Printing works' —

26, 29, 33, 34,
35, 40, 43,

✓ Lane —

no: 26, 25; Beniatalla — col.

— The Hindusthan Printing
Syndicate.

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✓
Mehta - Rameshwar - Editor "Chhatravai"

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20, 21,

✓ Neogy —

Surendra Nath —

Sp. the late Haridas - of Beabuchi,
Yangail, Mymensingh; + of
82/1, Harrison Road, Calcutta.

Statement — (pp. 18-20); Proprietor

— "Ajanta Printing works" —

✓
Publication — ^{P.} "Problem of Political Prisoners" — an article entitled —
which appeared in the Feb-March 1939 issue of
the "Chhatra bani" —

18, ✓ Publication — "Ganabani"
office — at 220, Cornwallis St.
— Cal.

20, 21, 22, ✓ Press — "Ajanta Printing Works."
at 7, Marali Dhar Sen Lane
Cal. —

26, 27, 28, 32, 34, 35, 36, 40, 41, 42, 43, 43A, 45, 46, ✓ Publication — "Students' Role in the
Anti-Imperialist Struggle"
— Printed at the Hindusthan
Printing Syndicate — ~~25~~
25 — Beniatola Lane — Cal;
— a pamphlet — entitled —

28, 29, 33, 34, 35, 36, 43, ✓ Press — Hindusthan Printing Syndicate
at 25, Beniatola Lane — Cal;
"Students' Role in the
anti-Imperialist Struggle" was
printed at —

46, 47A.

✓ Poddar - Suren — (B.S.P., C.P.) — 8/0 Kanai Lal of
Lohagara, Jessore + 7, St. James Square,
Calcutta.

✓ Publication — objectionable article in the "Chhatra bani"
entitled "This way, That way + by turns" —
not acceptable.

R

46, 47,

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Ray Choudhury - Subata - 8th Gymkhana 78,
Parasan Road, Calcutta.

18, 21, 22, 32, ✓ Street - no. 220, Cornwallis —
 office of the Ganabani; —
 + the office of the "Chhatra-
 bani" —

46, ✓ Sen - Sailesh -

50, ✓ Sugandh - Kumari Bhagwati - editor, "Chhatravani" -

53, ✓ Singh - D.B. - Genl. Secy. U.P. S.F.

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✓
Thakur. Comrade — Genl. Secy: Beha Provincial S. F.

Government of Bengal.

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	Mr. DeRoy Jones Ref. Machinery		6/6 28/7 23/324/3	1881106 KEM	

In the minds of the reactionaries, who as such, had been acting as rabid dogs as demonstrated at Rajshahi and Maldah. Besides them, the military officers, C.I.D. and half C.I.Ds from the side of the Govt, were constantly after them. Why were these repressions when Students' Federation was not an illegal organization? The Student should themselves decide whether to join the Federation or not and not the teachers nor the Govt. ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~.

The problem of political prisoners :- (page 26)-

"The political prisoners lodged in Alipore and Dumdum jails have decided to go on hunger-strike. It was a matter of great shame that we could not make any arrangement for the release of those heroic national workers who are welcoming death by inches, due to the re-
-pression of Imperialism within the prison bars. " During the last Andamans agitation, the whole nation, particularly the students, placed their demands before the Govt by force of direct action and caused the foundation of imperialism to tremble. The Govt, due to the intensity of the agitation, was compelled to release the politicals. The enthusiasm shown by the students during this agitation would remain as historical facts. Two years have since elapsed; many a face-saving and insincere arrangements were made on this score but the main problem was shelved. " The students who took to a great field during the last agitation will again have to ^{come forward} take the leadership in political prisoners' release agitation. It is possible to get back the heroic fighters for freedom from the clutches of imperialist hangmen, by direct mass action only %.

It is yet another addition to the list of left-wing papers, having a predominantly socialistic tone. The last article is venomous but may not be strong enough for successful action under ~~XXXX~~ the I.P.(E.P.) Act.

S. Chatterji
Insp. S.B.
14.3.39.

No. 143, dt. 12-3-39
I entirely agree.
The Country is being
flooded with such papers
and in most cases we have
to look helplessly on.
P. P. Chatterji
P. P.
16.3.1939.

" Struggle of the exploited class and communalism " by Jnanendra

Das Gupta on pages 13 to 15 - Communal problem came to exist not on points of religion but on ~~XXXXXX~~ political and economic environments of the country. There was nothing to be wondered at the attempts of Muslim League and the Hindu Mahasava to keep alive the communal "wisdom". It was not difficult to understand that the foreign imperialism which had struck its root in the colonial countries for imperialistic greed, would not be unwilling to utilise money and strength to sap the solidarity of the nation by creating differences. It was the foremost duty of the exploited class to launch struggle to be free from the clutches of foreign imperialism, to destroy the present day order of society.

" Prelude to progressive literature " by Arun Banerji, pages 15 to 18

The progressive writers' will have to take upon themselves the task of waging a continuous fight against the reactionary forces of Fascism and Imperialism which was at its last phase. Education and culture must be saved from destruction. The progressive writers' had no hesitation to declare- " They want to assert the rights of man, to end exploitation and to ~~XX~~ give a fitting reply to deception, to unfurl the flag of victory, red with martyrs blood- I, the poet of 20th century, sing in praise of revolution ".

" Students strike at Burma "- on pages 18 to 19- The students of

Burma went on strike in protest of Governmental measures against the peaceful strikers of Burma Oil Coy. This agitation is primarily against the Govt and the rich of Burma. A particular significance is attached to this strike. It is a strike of the students to safeguard the interests of the 'have-nots'. The students are a section of the nation. So the students could not sit idle when the Govt subdued the legitimate demands of the workers and the peasants who are component parts of the nation, in the name of law and order.

E.F?

[At a meeting of the volunteers organized at the time of All India Students' Conference, from South Calcutta, it was decided that the name of the corps should be "Vanguard Corps". 60 students have so far joined this organization.

E.F?

[A society under the name "Free Thinkers Society" has been formed at the university by Sanat Kumar Roy Chowdhury.

Repression of students :- (page 25)- The gradual consolidation of the students under the banner of the Federation has caused consternation

to give rise to some suspicion in the minds of the general body of the students that the Federation was not a desirable organization. This mean propaganda indicated that reactionary forces wanted to do away with this great progressive organization. Such misapprehension should be dispelled from the minds of the students and the students leaders should try to get active support of the 20 thousand members of the Federation and organize it on a genuine democratic basis by upholding the elementary demands of the rank and file of the students.

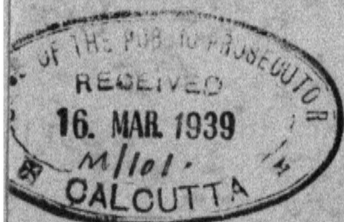
" Education and Independence " by Bijon Dutt on pages 10 -12.

The education now imparted through schools and colleges was not the education that they desired. True education should teach them to love their country, should point out the way through which the exploited masses would attain salvation, should make them proper citizens and make them ready to fight against communalism. Education should be brought ^{within} to the easy reach of the masses by decreasing its expenses. The Govt did not pay as much attention as the Govt of other countries paid towards education. The ' Huq Ministry ' on the otherhand attempted to lessen the number of schools and ~~colleges~~ colleges. Only 10 % had been educated under 200 years of the existence of British Imperialism but in the soviet Russia the number of educated persons rose to 98% from 22 % in the course of 20 years. Imperialists could never educate the masses of its colonies as it knew that in that case the masses would eventually sound its death-knell. Attempts were made to retrench the already-insignificant educational grant of the Govt. Students were debarred from getting National education as the Imperialists knew fully well that to keep a nation in perpetual slavery necessitated the destruction of her education and culture. Educational expenses should be cut down and pressure should be put on the Govt to grant more subsidy for education. Free Primary education should be introduced. Imperialism was responsible for their illiteracy so as to continue its exploitation without hindrance. Destruction of Imperialism and attainment of independence was the primary requirements for country's education. One of the steps to establish socialism was to co-ordinate the revolutionary organizations of the peasants , workers, students & youths through active struggle under the leadership of the working class.

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Review of " CHHATRABANI "- a Bangali monthly for Falgun
(Feb-March'39)- first issue, first volume. Printed at Ajanta
Printing Works by Bijon Kumar Dutt and published by the same
from 220 Cornwallis Street. Editor- Bijon Dutt. Priced at -/2/-
per copy.

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14/3/39
I.D. (Pages 1-5) - The students' movement in India stood for ' freedom
peace and progress '. The movement had reached such a stage
when their ideology should be properly understood. They wanted
freedom from the exploitation of capitalism which was responsi-
ble for unemployment, poverty and hunger. Freedom's movement
in this country was launched to do away with these evils. This
was possible in a socialist state of society. The greed for
annexing colonies by Imperialist powers to secure market has
threatened the peace of the world. Permanent peace could be
ensured through socialist revolution. The soviet union required
no colonial expansion and was fighting for world peace. The ca-
pitalism was opposed to any kind of progress in the mankind
to keep them in perpetual darkness., " We have also no education
in India, under British Imperialism "... only those books which
praised them, were studied in classes. Entry of books into In-
dia from foreign countries was stopped so that progressive id-
eals could not reach India. But Soviet Union in the course of
its 20 years' existence had made immense progress in education
sanitation etc. This leads them to believe that manifestation
of the ideology of the students is possible only in a socialist
the establishment of
Society. So the students should fight for socialism.

Students' movement and Students' Federation " by Sanat Kumar
Roy Chowdhury on pages 6 to 9 - It says that the students' com-
munity had now become fully conscious, was keeping abreast of
all political, financial, national and international problems and
had become a force to be reckoned with under the centralised
and disciplined guidance of the Students' Federation. Their
ideology being attainment of ' freedom, peace and progress ',
they have sincere sympathy with every anti-imperialist agita-
-tion and so they assist democratic and emancipatory struggles.
Though the Students' Federation was implementing, with all its
might, the political agitation, yet it should not be branded as
solely a political organization. But mean attempts are made to



Done: P.P.'s opinion
at P. 4 may be
seen. the
portion bracketed
in green on p. 4
together with
copy of P.P.'s opinion
may be sent
to Add Secy
(Mr. Hutchings) for
information.
approved.

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17/3
DC2
as proposed?
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DC
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17/3

RY.
C.P.

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We had considered
action u/s 4 (1) (b) of the
I.P. (E.P.) Act but the
case was not considered
strong enough for prosecution
demanding security as
appeal to the High Ct.
lies against the order.

RP.
28/3

To
C.P.
28/3.

DM

100.7549/P.Y. 8/31/39

Jt. Secy,

For info.

RP.
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W/O. Co. 214 X.
31.5.39

Seen, thanks.

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RP.
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J. E. Secy. (Mr. Hutchings)

You might like to see this.

Another instance of the modern design of speeches & writings enabling the deliverer to sail really close to the wind. This article seems only a point free of it.

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18/3

Inspr. Secy.

Put up

To
H. J. Secy. n/o.
20/3.

Dep. S.C.C.
20/3

Secy. all the more 17/3

reason to take security at time of declaration.

also do not forget

4 (1) (b) I.P. (C.P.) act

which might be used here to justify security if it is worth while to do so.

R. H. H.

20/3/39.

e. p. 24/2

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and comment

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Date _____

Hour of receipt by Dy. Commr. _____

Use Daily to the Dy. Commissioner of Police, D. D. S. B.

D. D. _____
S. B. _____

CALCUTTA POLICE.

From Inspector _____

of D. D. Calcutta, dated _____ 19

Date and hour.	Diary.	Dy. Commissioner's Remarks and Orders.
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I intend to engage that room for our office since 182. 27 July 33. May I expect you ~~once~~ here during this period? I could not know ~~you~~ anything yet what District Committee will do. However, it must be decided by this time, otherwise, it will be meaningless to rent a room for our office. Hope to hear from you soon.

Yours,
Sd/- Shiba Prasad Chatterjee
3, P.C. Bose Lane,
Krishnagar, Nadia

Subscribed
H. S. Das
28/6/33

Date _____

Hour of receipt by Dy. Commr. _____

Due Daily to the Dy. Commissioner of Police, D. D.
S. B.

D. D.
S. B.

CALCUTTA POLICE.

From Inspector _____

of D. D. Calcutta, dated _____ 19
S. B.

Date and hour.	Diary.	Dy. Commissioner's Remarks and Orders.
	<p>I have succeeded also - (1) distribution of "<u>Chhatra Bani</u>" (2) To secure a room on a monthly rent for our Office & (3) To enrol members on behalf of our Federation.</p> <p>I have already secured 20 subscribers for "Chhatra Bani" & hope to push more. I have secured found out a room on the 16th floor of a house, adjacent to "Kalibani" on High St. now it depends upon your approval. The rent of the room is Rs. 9/- per month.</p> <p>An "United Block" has been formed in our school & I have been elected Captain-in-charge on behalf of our Federation.</p>	

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Date _____

Hour of receipt by Dy. Commr. _____

Use Daily to the Dy. Commissioner of Police, D. D. S. B.

D. D. _____
S. B. _____

CALCUTTA POLICE.

From Inspector _____

of D. D. Calcutta, dated _____
S. B. _____

H. S. Roy
DLT

19 38 8 Am

Date and hour.	Diary.	Dy. Commissioner's Remarks and Orders.
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Translation of a Bengali letter, bearing postal seal of Dacca.

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From - Shiba Prasad Chatterjee

3, P. C. Bose Lane,
Krishnagar, Nadia

Superscription - Comrade Mahadeb Bhattacharya

M. B. P. S. 7

159A, Bowbazar St.
Calcutta

Letter No. 1

Dear Mahadeb Babu

After your departure from this place I have started following work according to your advice & to some extent

PY 616/39

Very Secret

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27/6/39

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Student

SPECIAL BRANCH OFFICE,

14, LORD SINHA ROAD,

Calcutta, the 30. 6. 1939.

Memo. No. 19679.
PY 616/39.

(The secrecy of this interception may kindly be maintained.)

Interception by the Inland/Foreign Mail of

the 26th of June 1939. 8 Am.

From Siba Prasad Chatterji, B.C. Bose Lane,
Kishinagar, Nadia.
To Comrade, Mahadeb Bhattacharya, H.B.S. 7,
159A, Bowbazar St., Calcutta.
Language of letter Bengali
Post office of interception Bowbazar
Date of letter nil
Name of officer who can prove the interception and the fact that it has
been photographed H. d. Bose
Whether photographed or not nil
Whether withheld or delivered delivered
If delivered, whether copy kept or not Translation kept.
Interception authorised vide Government Order No. No Govt. order.

Copies forwarded to SP Nadia?

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A. Standard 8/11.7.39

APPEAL TO STUDENTS AND YOUTHS

Comrades, Bijan Dutta, Arun Banerjee, Sanat Roy Chowdhury on behalf of the Editorial Board of Chattrabani have issued the following statement:—

The political prisoners of Dum Dum and Alipore Central Jails have gone on hunger-strike. The prisoners had put forward their legitimate demand for unconditional release many a times before the Huq Ministry but the agents of imperialism who have established themselves safely in the ministerial "gadi" heeded them not. Gandhiji assured the country of the release of political prisoners by negotiations. His mission has miserably failed. He has now invented a new "technique"—a technique of surrender to imperialism and its agents. Hence the political prisoners—the undaunted soldiers of freedom's battle—have no other alternative but to take resort to hunger-strike.

The struggle has begun. There is no time to wait. Andaman movement has taught us that only the direct mass action, only the mass pressure can put a brake on the present policy of the Huq Ministry. Every opportune moment should be utilised. British Imperialism is busy in Danzig and Poland. This is the most right time to strike.

We appeal to all the anti-Imperialist forces to organise meetings and demonstrations. We appeal to the students and youths to march jointly irrespective of theoretical differences, shoulder to shoulder on 15th July, on this common issue—the unconditional release of all the political prisoners.

This review of books is mentioned "Fascism and India"
 by Ganesha Basu in which Fascism as found in Italy
 and the fascist tendency growing in Indian
 political movements are delineated. Price - 2/-
 Under current topics it approves of Subhas
 Chandra Bose's Forward Bloc.

Lenther

Bhikshu Nath Senapati

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An article in 'Socialist & Capitalist economies' contributed by Dr. Rita Cupan (?) from America translated by Samir Basu deals with the differences between the two and condemns the Capitalist one as oppressive and injurious to the best interest of the masses.

Samir Basu Chowdhury in his article on Student Society and Constructive Movement urges the students, who go out to educate the masses during holidays, to give real education to the masses by imparting the real knowledge of their circumstances under the Capitalist regime and how to solve the problems of the hungry millions.

Under the Captain Students' Movement in Calcutta the Vanguard Club and the Volunteer Corps formed by it. With the following office bearers in Calcutta:-

Secretaries - Syamal Sen
Rabindra Bhadani

Treasurers - Soresh Sen
Bhupati Danjoo
Subin Roy Chowdhury

[Office at - 159 / D Road (?) 087]

President. Prof. Khagen Danath Sen

Sub. Committee - Prof. Khagen Danath Sen

Anon Danjoo
Haren Chatterjee
Gopulla Ghose
Ramen Bhattacharya
Tarapada Chatterjee
Sushin Kumar
Pravaranjan Ghose
Tridib Ghose

Listed in 1949.

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in every society was found one class controlling the means of production exploiting the masses for their own selfish ends and this class creates a social structure in order to preserve their rights and privileges. A continual war goes on between the exploiters & the exploited, each trying to crush the other. The present age is full of activities of the class of exploiters against the surging waves of Communism in order to save its age-long social structure from destruction. The students, who come from exploiting classes, are facing unemployment and are sitting on the fence thinking which side to join. The writer holds up before them two paths for selection - the path of Fascism which is determined to crush Communism and keep the masses under their iron heels and the path of Communism which is equally determined to destroy the present social structure and build a classless society ~~structure~~ in which masses are expected to live happily.

The poems on 'Dawn after age' by Abanindranath Tagore, 'Paal' by Goutam Das, 'Arunyaka' by Haraprasad Datta and "Red flag" a Bengali translation of the English poem by Sourmendu Nath Tagore are all pure & simple Communist poems.

Bijon Datta writes a serial on George Dimitroff's life, while Sudhin Das Gupta contributes an article on 'May Day'. In his article on the history of Market Ramen Bhattacharya describes the ruthless manner in which the Capitalists suppressed the legitimate demands of the producers in creating a market all for the enjoyment of a handful of Capitalists.

and Capitalism by totally destroying Socialistic states parts -
- namely Russia who was fighting for the exploited
masses reduced to penury & slavery by the untold oppres-
sions of the imperialist powers who ruthlessly exploited
the masses for the benefit of a handful of capitalists.
In a word the imperialists have already started the
second great war with great pomp to safeguard
their interests. The British & the French have submitted to
the will of the Fascist powers without protest and even
helped them with ^{economic policy} money and did not feel scruple to commit
treachery as seen in the last Munich pact. On
the other hand the exploited masses are getting conscious
of their situation and struggling to gain their
freedom and power by destroying Capitalism & Imperialism
the root causes of their poverty & bondage and bringing
the social order devoid of classes by destroying
private property. Commenting on the political situa-
- tion of India, the writer says, that British Govt
is ready for the next war in which millions
of Indians, its money & materials of India would be
sacrificed at the altar of imperialism as was
done in the last war. Dealing with the present
international situation he says that students
of the world should espouse the cause of the
masses struggling for freedom.]

Pravat Sen contributes an article under the
Caption "Social Revolution and Students Move-
ment" in which he describes himself and his
associates as Communists and explains the class
war as the cause of social revolution. He further

Review of a Bengali Magazine named "Chhatra Bani" for May-June, third issue, first year (1939).

It is claimed the ^{only} organ of the progressive students, edited by Bijan Dutta (editor) Arun Banerjee, Sankhamoy Das Gupta, Sanat Roy Choudhury and Khagen Sharma, printed in Ajanta Press, Calcutta by Bijan Kumar Dutta and published by him from 220 Cornwallis St, Calcutta. ["Ganabani" is also located here]

This periodical - printing works, Calcutta - is an organ of the Ganabani group of the left - is community in tone and is not lively later actionables. Achenable.

This issue contains several articles and poems all saturated with Communist ideas though nothing appears to be in the line of the magazine - Peace, freedom, Culture.

The front cover contains a picture of and quotation

Romain Rolland - "For whom do I write?" For

those who are the vanguard of the marching army,

for those who are waging the great international

battle, Victory in which should ensure the establish-

ment of the human community without frontiers

and without classes. . . . We, the writers, we summon

the laggards to hurry up. It is up to them to overtake

us. The marching column never stops - Romain

Rolland.

The first article in this issue is under the caption

"The monument before the storm" by Sanat Kumar Roy Choudhury

The writer depicts a most vivid picture of the West-

At the present monument - where the fascist powers are

being helped by other imperialist powers including the

British to conquer weaker nations after destroying towns

after towns and massacring the brave people of the

unfortunate countries as seen in Abyssinia, Spain

& China, with the object of creating a formidable

group of imperialist powers to save and expand imperialism

2) Office must supply me with 2 copies of ext. office portion & brackets in green in the reviewed. 3) W.W. may note failure in the green at 1:4 pm reviewed.

La 5/9 (2) The to copy W.W. (3) K.S. 5/8

noted and 2/8

Hour.

manuscript copy I may
do not remember whether
it had been taken away
by Bijan ^{INDEXED} or it had
been destroyed by me -
Bijan ^{INDEXED} told me
that the office of the
the Chhatrabani magazine
was situated at the
Ganabani office at
220, Cornwallis Street
Calcutta.

Read over and admitted
to be correct.

Surendranath Nayak

12-10-39

~~Read~~ Recorded by me.

W.D.
K. K. Nayak.

12/10/39

Hour.

of August 1939, placed
order with me for
printing 1000 copies
of the issue of the
magazine mentioned
above in the last week
of July 1939. Bijan
outb took away all the
copies from my press
with the exception of two
the press copies. ^{INDEXED}
Subsequently Bijan
outb took away one of
the press copies. The
remaining one which
was with me has been
handed over to the police
during the search today.
The proof sheet and
the order copy have been
destroyed. As for the

Hour.

Statement of Balu
INDEXED
 Surendra Nath Niyogi
 (aged about 37 years)
 son of late Hari Das
 Niyogi of village
 Barabuchi P.S. Tangail
 district Mymensingh and
 of 82/1, Harrison Road,
 Calcutta.

My name is Surendra
 Nath Niyogi. I am
 the proprietor of the
 printing press entitled
 "Ajanta printing
INDEXED
 works" at 7, Murah
 Dher Sen Lane, Calcutta.
 Bigan Auth-printer and
 also publisher of the special
 issue of the
 monthly magazine
 entitled "Chakra Kani"
 (Anti-dear number) in
 English for the month

found and seized from the
 Hour. ^{INDEXED} "Ajanta printing works" at
 7, ^{INDEXED} Muralidhar Sen Lane, Calcutta
 No copy of the above magazine
 could be found at premises
 No. 220, ^{INDEXED} Cornwallis Street and
 nothing was seized from there.

A copy of the statement
 of ^{INDEXED} Surendra Nath Niyogi -
 the proprietor of the
 printing press, entitled
^{INDEXED} "Ajanta printing works
 at 7, Muralidhar Sen Lane,
 Calcutta is submitted
 herewith for favour of
 perusal.

Submitted: recd
 13/10/39 A. K. Sen

Sir,

Most respectfully

Hour.

I beg to submit the

SGs Akas and R. C.

Mukherji searched the

printing press entitled

"Aurora printing

Works" at 7, Muralidhar

Sen Lane, Calcutta and

the "Chhatra Bani" office

at 220, Cornwallis Street,

Calcutta respectively

on the strength of search

warrants issued by

the Chief Presidency

Magistrate, Calcutta.

one copy of the proscribed

anti-war number (in English)

of the monthly magazine

entitled "Chhatra Bani" was

A. I.

ACDD may be
asked if Govt
has been informed of the
result of the
searches, if not
this must be done
in order to
take all
action

16/1/39

Copy
forwarded
to AC-SB.

AC-SB.

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16/1/39

Place on file
& show ac
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Government of Bengal.

Home Department.

Political.

No.5502 P.

NOTIFICATION.

Calcutta, the 3rd October, 1939.

Whereas in the opinion of the Governor the special issue in English(Anti-War number) of the Bengali monthly magazine " The Chattravani", for the month of August 1939, printed by Bijan Kumar Dutt at the Ajanta Printing Works at 7, Muralidhar Sen Lane, Calcutta, and published by the said Bijan Kumar Dutt from 220, Cornwallis Street, Calcutta, contains prejudicial reports of the nature described in clause (7) of rule 34 of the Defence of India rules read with sub-clause (k) of clause (6) of that rule ;

Now, therefore, in exercise of the power conferred by clause (c) of sub-rule (1) of rule 40 of the said Rules, the Governor hereby declares to be forfeited to His Majesty all copies, wherever found, of the said issue of the said magazine and all other documents containing copies, reprints, translations of or extracts from, the said issue of the said magazine.

By order of the Governor,

Sd. E. N. Blandy,

Secy. to the Govt. of Bengal.

Recd 8/10/39
P.Y. 616/39

32538
5/10/39

No. 5503/1(4) P.

Copy, with a copy of the notification, forwarded to the Deputy Commissioner of Police, Special Branch, Calcutta for information and necessary action.

2. The notification will issue in the Calcutta Gazette on the 12th October 1939.

[Signature]

for Addl. Secy. to the Govt. of Bengal.

Calcutta,
The 4th October 1939.

Shg 4/10

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May 6/10
Main 6/10

5.10.39

1) Copy may be sent to Secy. for
favour of action as also to 9B
2) all D.O. & S.O. to note 5/16

Main 9/10

3) 1 sec to sec

sec has seen

Action as proposed early

5/10 K. P. 5/10/39

9/10 P. 1/11

9/10 P. 1/11

18/10/39

Memo. No. P.Y. 616/39 dt- 8. 10. 39.

Forwarded to (1) Secy. for information + favour of action
(2) I.B. for information

7/10/39
f. Secy. 5/10

1/11

All Communications to Government should give the Number, Date and Subject of any previous Correspondence and be addressed to the Secretary of the Department concerned.

Government of Bengal

Home Department

Political. Branch

No. 5503 P.

FROM

H. Tufnell-Barrett, Esq., I.C.S.,

Addl. Secretary to the Government of Bengal,

TO

THE Postmaster-General,
Bengal and Assam.

Calcutta, the 4th October 1939.

SIR,

I am directed to forward, for your information, the accompanying copy of a notification, declaring all copies of the publication, the particulars of which are given in

Special issue in English (Anti-War Number) of the Bengali monthly magazine "The Chattravani" for the month of August 1939. the margin, to be forfeited to His Majesty. I am to request

that you will take action to prevent the dissemination of the matter of the publication in Bengal. All copies that may be detained should be forwarded to the Deputy Inspector-General of Police, Intelligence Branch, Criminal Investigation Department, Bengal.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Sd. W.H.S. Smith,

for Addl. Secy. to the Govt. of Bengal.

No.

1446/25.
CONFIDENTIAL

Criminal Investigation Department

SPECIAL BRANCH

Lucknow
Allahabad U. P.
Varanasi

In reply, please quote
No. G/P-11 (Gen.)
and also the date of this letter. Without these particulars papers cannot be traced as no receipt and dispatch register is maintained. The subject of correspondence should be clearly indicated in body of reply.

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Dated the 25th November 1939.

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28/11/39

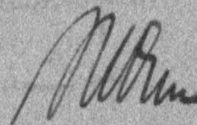
My dear Finney,

Copies of the following two pamphlets have come to light in the U.P. :- INDEXED.

1. "Students' Role in the anti-Imperialist Struggle", printed at the Hindusthan Printing Syndicate, 25, Reniatola Lane, Calcutta. INDEXED.
2. "The Chattravani" - Special issue anti-War number, printed by Bijan Kumar Dutta from Ajanta Printing Works and published by him from 220 Cornwallis Street, Calcutta. INDEXED.

I should be grateful if you would kindly let me know whether these have previously come to your notice and if so, whether any action against them has been taken or is contemplated by your Government.

Yours sincerely,



For A. to D.I.G., C.I.D., S.B., U.P.

To

P.E.S. Finney, Esqr., O.B.E., I.P.,
Deputy Commissioner of Police,
Special Branch, Calcutta.

DS/O.

GOVERNMENT OF BENGAL.

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Express Letter

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		Department.
		Branch.
		Collection No.
Spare Copies.		
		Number and year of File.
		Serial number in File.
Class of Papers.	SUBJECT :—	
Reply Received No. Date.	Reminders issued. 1st No. : dated 2nd No. : dated 3rd No. : dated	Date of Despatch.

No. P. 4.616/39, dated 28.11.39.

Enclosures.

Reference your memo No. G. P. - 11 (Gen) dt- 25.11.39
regarding two pamphlets namely "Students' Role in
the Anti-Imperialist Struggle" and the Special Issue
of the "Chhatravani" anti-war number.

Of these the Special Issue of the "Chhatravani"
mentioned above, has been forfeited under the
Defence of India Rules by the local Government under

Political Department Notification No. 5502 P. dt- 3/12/39.
So far no information ~~is~~
There is no information ~~is~~ regarding the other pamphlet ~~is~~
on record. ~~is~~ available. Further enquiries are
in progress. I shall be glad to know if this
pamphlet is in Bengali & if so its ~~transliteration~~ and
the name of the author may kindly be
supplied

28.11.39.

J. D. S. B.

CONFIDENTIAL

In reply, please quote
No. G/P-11(Gen)
and also the date of this letter. Without these particulars papers cannot be traced as no receipt and dispatch register is maintained. The subject of correspondence should be clearly indicated in body of reply.

Criminal Investigation Department

SPECIAL BRANCH
Lucknow
Allahabad U. P.
Nainital

Dated the 30th November 1939.

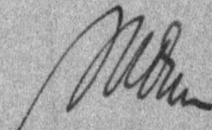
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4/12/39

My dear Finney,

Will you please refer to your confidential Express Letter No. P.Y.616/39, dated November 28, 1939 ?

The pamphlet "Students' Role in the Anti-Imperialist Struggle" is a small eight paged bound English pamphlet. I regret that, as our only available copy has been forwarded to Government for proscription, I am unable to let you have a copy of it. The contents are of an anti-war and communistic nature.

Yours sincerely,



For A. to D.I.G., C.I.D., S.B., U.P.

To

P.E.S. Finney, Esqr., O.B.E., I.P.,
Deputy Commissioner of Police,
Special Branch, Calcutta.

DS/O.

SEARCH LIST.

(P. R. B. Form No. 44—Vide Rule 233.)

Details of Property seized by Police-officers acting under the provisions of section 103 or 165,
Criminal Procedure Code.

1. Date and hour of search

4.12.39. 4-30-5 p.m.

2. Name and residence of person whose house is searched

Hindustan Printing Syndicate 25 Beniatla Lane

3. Name and residence of witnesses to search:

- (1) Brahman Kumar Banji 9-25 A Beniatla Lane.
 (2) Kali Pada Banji 29 Sila Lane Bore Bazar.
 and so on

Serial No. (Each article to be given a separate or collective serial.)	Description of articles seized.*	Description of place where article seized was found.	Name, father's name, residence, etc., of person or persons ordinarily occupying the house in which an article is seized.	REMARKS.—Here should be noted the serial number in complainant's <i>malika</i> , and the exact circumstances under which all articles have been found. A note should also be made in case anything unusual is observed, such as the remains of burnt paper, etc.,
1.	Three Copies of Printed booklets entitled "Students' role in the anti-imperialist struggle" printed at the Hindustan Syndicate at 25 Beniatla Lane.	Produced by Ramesh Das Gupta in inside a glass case in the office room of the same.	(1) INDEXED Ramesh Das Gupta (2) Sub Kumar Das (3) Umendra Nath Kundu	

N. B.—This form must be signed by witnesses.

* Articles seized, numbered and labelled should be attested by signatures of witnesses and Police officers.
 Permanent marks, such as cuts, etc., must not be made.

Umendra Nath Kundu 4/12/39.
 Ramesh Das Gupta 4/12/39.
 Signature with date of the person whose property is seized if present at the search.

22/12/39
 Police officers conducting the search.

Signature of witnesses with date.

Signature by the accused (optional)

Date 4.12.39.

Place 25 Beniatla Lane.

Authorization by the Deputy Commissioner of Police,
Special Branch, Calcutta, for search, under Rule 126
(4) of the Defence of India Rules 1939:-

By virtue of powers conferred upon me by
Government of Bengal, Home (Political) Department
Notification No. 4774P dated 5th September 1939,
empowering me to exercise within my jurisdiction,
powers referred to in clauses (a) and (b) of sub-
rule (1) of Rule 126 of the Defence of India Rules,
made under section 2 of the Defence of India
Ordinance, 1939 (Ordinance V of 1939).....

I do hereby, under sub-rule (4) of Rule 126
of the said Rules, authorise Inspector/Sub-Inspector
..... S. C. Kar of the Special
Branch, Calcutta Police to search... *Hindusthan*
Printing Syndicate, 25 Benialola Lane
within my jurisdiction, as I have reason to believe
that the said place has been, is being or is about to
be, used for purposes prejudicial to the Defence of
British India or to the public safety or interest.



[Signature]

Deputy Commissioner of Police,
Special Branch, Calcutta.

Dated..... 4. 12. 39

SC.

authorization by the Deputy Commissioner of Police,
Special Branch, Calcutta, for receipt, under Rule 128
(A) of the Defence of India Rules, 1939.

By virtue of powers conferred upon me by
Government of Bengal, Home (Political) Department
Notification No. 2775 dated 24 September 1939,
empowering me to exercise within my jurisdiction,
powers referred to in clause (a) and (b) of sub-
rule (1) of Rule 128 of the Defence of India Rules,
made under the Defence of India Ordinance, No. 4
(Ordinance V of 1939).....

Seen

R. R. Gupta

4/12/39

I do hereby, under and with (a) of Rule 128

of the said Rules, authorize Inspector, Special

of the Special

to receive and

to be used for

within my jurisdiction, as I have reason to believe

that the said place has been, is being or is about to

be used for purposes prejudicial to the defence of

British India or to the public safety or interest.

Returned duly executed.

By *[Signature]* as per search list

Seized.

[Signature]

26/12/39

4.12.39

Deputy Commissioner of Police,
Special Branch, Calcutta.

Date.....

The statement of Ranaadhir.

D.C. (2) informed and telephone
message sent to D.C. (1).

Submitted

S. Chandra

Nov 8/39

4.12.39

J. Choudhury

Asst. Secy.

4.12.39.

INDEXED
"Students' Role in the Anti Imperialist Struggle" from inside a glass Almirah in the office room and said that about one thousand copies of this pamphlet were printed at their press in December 1938 under order of one Bijon Dutta of B.P.S.F., 6 Aswini Dutta Road.

The order was placed on 27.12.38 and delivery was made on 30.12.38 vide order no. 650 of 27-12-38.

INDEXED
The address of ~~Bijon~~ Bijon Dutta was given in the order form 220, Cornwallis St. - Ganabani Publishing House. ~~Ranadhir~~ said that these pamphlets were meant for the Students' Conference held at Wellington Square, Calcutta in December 1938 and he kept a few copies for their file.

The place was searched but no other copy nor anything incriminating was found.

INDEXED
Debi Kumar Das one of the partners arrived just after the search was over and he corroborated

X
now under-going trial and is on bail.
Lu
5/12

6 Aswini Dutta Rd:
Bijon Dutta place was searched by S.I.P.C.M. on 20.11.39. No copy of this booklet was seized. S.I.P.C.M. must report it to me.

INDEXED
Indicated:
Lu
5/12
yes.
too
6/12

Act
 authorities
 have gone up in this
 - suspicion of this
 - complaint. It is not
 - covered by the act.
 - good. It will have
 the same effect.
 have. So we may
 not take any
 action in that
 line. We must
 request the
 authorities to
 let us know full
 about this &
 intimate them
 results of our
 action etc.

5/12

as proposed: (P) Imp sec 8/12/39
 40397 6/12/39
 into & available for Govt
 from 10/12/39
 INDEXED

Report of search of Hindustan
 Printing Syndicate, 25 Benialola Lane
 on 4.12.39

In virtue of a search warrant
 issued by the Dy Commr. of Police, S.B
 myself and S.D. J. N. Chandhury
 of S.B. searched the Hindustan
 Printing Syndicate at 25 Benia
 lola Lane this afternoon with
 the assistance of S.D. M. Hosain
 & the and the constables of Ambik
 Street Police Station.

The place was surrounded
 at 4-30pm and then searched
 in presence of witnesses: - (1) Probhat
 Kumar Banerji of 25 A Benialola
 Lane and (2) Kalipada Banerji of
 29 Silaram Ghose Street.

Ranadhir Das Gupta (E.C)
 of Chittagong and friends
 Khandu (E.C) partners of the firm
 were present. No outsider
 was found. Ranadhir on being
 questioned produced three copies
 of a booklet entitled: -

DCII
 Personal
 The pamphlet
 was not noticed
 by us at the
 time of the
 Students' Conference
 in Decr. 1938.

1. Sec may
 examine
 & report if
 any action
 is justified.

Imp sec 5/12
 5/12

GOVERNMENT OF BENGAL.

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Reply Received No. Date.	Reminders issued. 1st No. : dated 2nd No. : dated 3rd No. : dated	Collection No.
		Number and year of File.
		Serial number in File.
		Date of Despatch.

No. 14616/38, dated 14.12.39.

Enclosures.

My dear

With reference to your Memo. No. G.P.-11 (Gen) dt- 28/11/38,
I write to inform you that the Hindusthan Printing
Syndicate at 25, Beniatola Lane was searched on 4/11/38,
and three copies of the pamphlet "Students Role in the
Anti-Imperialist Struggle" were seized.

I shall be glad if you will let me
know when the pamphlet is proscribed by your Govt.
and also send me a copy of the proscription
notification.

Yours sincerely,

Sd/

Addl. Secy. S.B.

GOVERNMENT OF BENGAL

OFFICE OF...THE.COMMISSIONER.OF.POLICE,...

Calcutta.

DEPARTMENT.

GROUP.

BRANCH.

No. 01696...

FROM

C.E.S. Fairweather Esqr., C.I.E., I.P., J.P.,
Commissioner of Police,
Calcutta.

To

The Chief Secretary to the Government of Bengal,
Home Department.

Dated. 13.12.39

Subject:—

Sir,

I have the honour to report that on receipt of information about a booklet headed "Students role in the anti-Imperialist Struggle" printed at the Hindusthan printing Syndicate at 25, Beniatola Lane, Calcutta, in December '38, the said press was searched by the Special Branch, Calcutta Police on 4.12.'39 by virtue of an authorisation issued by the Deputy Commissioner of Police, Special Branch, under Rule 126(4) of the Defence of India Rules. Three copies of the said booklet were seized.

This booklet did not come to our notice before and the action was taken on a report from the United Provinces Police stating that the booklet contains anti war and communistic propaganda.

A copy of the said booklet is enclosed for Government's information, and its forfeiture is requested.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

FOR COMMISSIONER OF POLICE,
Calcutta.

GOVERNMENT OF BENGAL.

OFFICE OF...the Dy. Insp. Genl. of Police.

C.I.

DEPARTMENT.

GROUP.

BRANCH.

Intelligence

No.....

758/39 (K)

FROM

To

P.E.S. Finney, Esq., O.B.E., I.P.

Dy Commr. of Police, S.B.

Calcutta.

Dated.....December..1939.

Subject :—

My dear Mr. Finney,

Will you kindly let me have a review of the pamphlet "Students Role in the Anti Imperialist Struggle" which was produced by Ex-Convict Ranadhir Das Gupta during the search of the Hindusthan Printing Syndicate on 4.12.39.

Yours sincerely,

for Special Superintendent., I.B.

PB/N 7/12

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Perusal. Three copies of the
said pamphlet were seized.

For orders whether a copy of
the pamphlet may be made
over to IB *Let SI Jouta review*
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Date _____

Hour of receipt by Dy. Commr _____

Due Daily to the Dy. Commissioner of Police, D. D.
S. B.D. D. _____
S. B. _____

CALCUTTA POLICE.

From Inspector _____

of D. D. Calcutta dated _____ 19
S. B.

Date and hour.	Diary.	Dy. Commissioner's Remarks and Orders.
	<p>the Congress for fighting out freedom's battle. It has been stressed that a student movement in a colonial country has first and foremost to fight for freedom from imperialist yoke. Indian students must rally themselves in a line with those of China, Spain, Egypt and the rest of ^{the} world for resisting Imperialist-Fascist barbarism. The danger of war is exposed and also a fascist conspiracy against the Soviet Union is spoken of. Federation, as proposed in India, has been characterized as a brutal method of fascistization. The Congress policy of compromise and capitulation has been criticised and the issue of the political crimes discussed. The appeal concludes with an expression of solidarity of the Indian students with the international student movement and an emphatic declaration of non-participation of Indian students in an imperialist war which is closing down on the world. Soviet Union has been bolstered up as a powerful buttress of peace and fraternity with which the Indian students declare their solidarity. A fight is also urged against the Federation, Ogilvie Bill and the deserting policy of the Congress.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">12/1/39.</p>	

CONFIDENTIAL DIARY.

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Date _____

Hour of receipt by Dy. Commr. _____

Due Daily to the Dy. Commissioner of Police, D. D.
S. B.D. D.
S. B.

CALCUTTA POLICE.

From Inspector _____

of D. D. Calcutta, dated _____ 19
S. B.

Date and hour.	Diary.	Dy. Commissioner's Remarks and Orders.
	<p>Due to the inter-dependency of the entire world in all spheres, Social, economic, political and economic, it is in the fitness of things that the evolving of their plan of work in their national revolutionary movement must be prefaced by a critical analysis of the international situation and a conscious understanding of the lessons thereof. International Situation is discussed with particular regard to the Munich Settlement leading to the dismemberment of Czechoslovakia and to the consequent growth of the power of Hitler in Europe. Mr. Chamberlain's policy is bitterly denounced. The article further states that Soviet Russia was sought to have been isolated through the Munich agreement. The temporary victory of reaction let loose the forces of the oppressor man for ending age-long exploitation and oppression. It is urged that in comparison comparison with the upheaval of the world anti-imperialist struggle, India's movement has not gained in intensity. The writers criticise and disagree with the ideology of a section of left-wing leaders that attainment of Indian political freedom must precede the struggle for the establishment of Socialism. They hold instead that as a phase of the historical process of transformation colonial independence will be achieved through the struggle for Socialism and the transformation of the existing social system. They strongly urge for the building up of an anti-imperialist united front on the basis of class struggle, and class-collaboration and class-peace, and</p>	

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S. B. _____ Calcutta, dated _____

13/12 1939

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	<p>R/40672 of 7.12.39. (Mr. Blockman) (pamphlet attached)</p> <p>Review of a pamphlet in English entitled "Students' role in the anti-imperialist struggle."</p> <p>The pamphlet has been printed at the Hindustani Printing Syndicate, 25 Beniatola Lane. The following were signatories to the appeal to students on the eve of the All India Students' Conference in Calcutta (Dec-'38 - Jan-'39), —</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Arun Banerjee 2. Sanat Roy Choudhury 3. Mahadev Bhattacharya 4. Indramoy Das Gupta 5. Biren Ghose (Murshidabad) 6. Gouri Paul (Badia) 7. Sambhu Sarkar (Kharbham) 8. Biren Roy (Howrah) 9. Haren Chatterjee 10. Ramen Bhattacharya 11. Min Tularami Das Gupta 12. Shit Probas Chakravarty 13. Subrata Roy Choudhury 14. Tridib Das 15. Saitesh Sen 16. Suren Poddar 17. Kshik' Borman 18. Purnali Bose 19. Sushin Kumar, Printing Secretary, A.I. Students' Conference 20. Amar Raha (Dinajpur). <p>The plea is made that the students, meeting in this conference, should take stock of their achieve- ments and drawbacks in order to chalk out an effective programme of action to carry forward their movement on and on to the higher level.</p>	

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Removal of S.D. J.D.'s
Review of the pamphlet entitled
"Students' Role in the Anti-Imperialist
Struggle". Copy may be sent to S.D. as
requested. Draft for approval.
Spare Copies. S.S. III S.D.

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1st No. , dated
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No. 14616/39, dated 19. 12. 39.

Enclosures.

My dear

As requested in your Memo No. 15460 dt- 7.12.39,
758/39 (K)

I attach herewith a review of the pamphlet entitled
"Students' Role in the Anti-Imperialist Struggle."

Dr
18/12/39

Enc: Review.

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Yours sincerely.

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10/12/39
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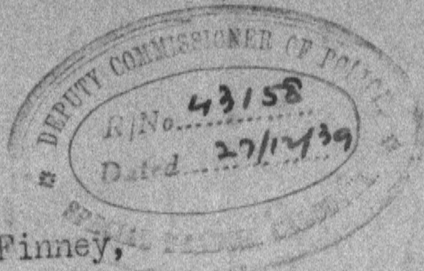
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P Dated the 20th December 1939.



4616/39
My dear Finney,

Will you please refer to your Memo No. P.Y.616/39, dated December 14, 1939.

The U.P. Government have examined the pamphlet "Students' role in the Anti-Imperialist Struggle", and have decided against taking any action in the matter.

Yours sincerely,

For A. to D.I.G., C.I.D., S.B., U.P.

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To

Tom 28/12
P.E.S. Finney, Esqr., O.B.E., I.P.,
Deputy Commissioner of Police,
Special Branch, Calcutta.

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Government of Bengal.

Home Department.

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Notification

No.7190 P.

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Calcutta, the 21st December 1939.

Whereas in the opinion of the Governor the issue of the English booklet entitled "Students' Role in the Anti-Imperialist Struggle" printed at the Hindusthan Printing Syndicate at 25, Beniatola Lane, Calcutta, contains prejudicial reports of the nature described in clause (7) of rule 34 of the Defence of India Rules read with sub-clauses (e) and (k) of clause (6) of that rule;

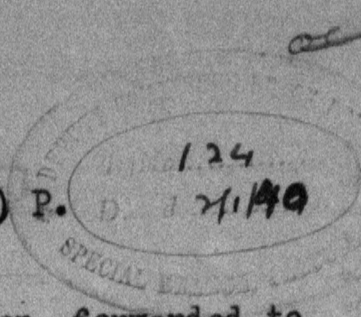
Now, therefore, in exercise of the power conferred by clauses (b) and (c) of sub-rule (1) of rule 40 of the said Rules, the Governor hereby prohibits the further publication of the said document and declares to be forfeited to His Majesty all copies, wherever found, of the said issue of the said document and all other documents containing copies, reprints, translations of or extracts from the said issue of the said document.

By order of the Governor,

Sd. H.J. Twynam,

Secy. to the Govt. of Bengal.

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Copy, with a copy of the notification, forwarded to the Commissioner of Police, Calcutta, for information and necessary action. The Deputy Commissioner of Police, Special Branch, Calcutta has been informed direct.

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2. The notification will issue in the Calcutta Gazette on the 28th December 1939.

A. G. Ghose

Addl. Secy. to the Govt. of Bengal.

Calcutta,

The 22nd December 1939.

CP
Lover
27/12

D.C. L.B.

Dear
Can we not prosecute?
27/12

What about a
prejudicial act in
printing this stuff?
CUT
27/12/39

All Communications to Government should give the Number, Date and Subject of any previous Correspondence and be addressed to the Secretary of the Department concerned.

Government of Bengal
Home Department
Political(Press) Branch

No. 7192 P.

FROM A. E. Porter, Esq., I. C. S.,

Addl. Secretary to the Government of Bengal,

To

THE Postmaster-General, Bengal and Assam.

Calcutta, the 22nd December 1939.

SIR,

I am directed to forward, for your information, the accompanying copy of a notification, declaring all copies of the publication, the particulars of which are given in

English booklet entitled "Students' Role in the Anti-Imperialist Struggle". the margin, to be forfeited to His Majesty. I am to request that you will take action to

prevent the dissemination of the matter of the publication in Bengal. All copies that may be detained should be forwarded to the Deputy Inspector-General of Police, Intelligence Branch, Criminal Investigation Department, Bengal.

2. A copy of the publication is enclosed.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

Sd. A. E. Porter,

Addl. Secy. to the Govt. of Bengal.

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No. 43158-C, dated 4.1.40.

Enclosures.

P.Y. 616/38.

My dear

With reference to your Memo. No. B.-Gen. d/- 20th

December 1938, I write to inform you that the

pamphlet entitled "⁹ Students' role in the Anti-Imperialist Struggle" has since been forfeited under Govt. of

Bengal, Political Department Notification No. 71906 d/

21st December 1938

Yours sincerely

6 Addl. Secy. 3/1/40

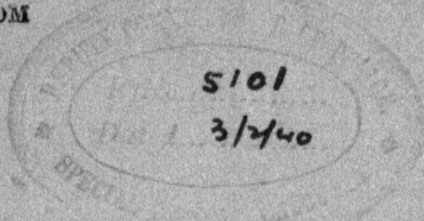
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OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY INSPECTOR GENERAL OF POLICE.

C.I. DEPARTMENT.
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No. 1548
758-39(K)

FROM



To

P.E.S. Finney Esqr., O.B.E., I.P.,
Deputy Commissioner of Police,
Special Branch,
Calcutta.

Dated..... February 1940.

Subject:—

Dear Mr. Finney,

Please refer to your letter No. P.Y.616/39 dated 19.12.39 attaching a review of the pamphlet entitled "Students' Role in the Anti-Imperialist Struggle" and kindly furnish me with the fathers names and home addresses of the undermentioned individuals mentioned in the review of the pamphlet -

- (1) Mahadeb Bhattacharji, (2) Sudhamoy Das Gupta,
- (3) Haren Chattarji, (4) Shib Prasad Chakraborty,
- (5) Subrata Ray Chaudhuri (6) Tridib Das,
- (7) Sailesh Sen, (8) Suren Poddar, (9) Kshiti Barman
- (10) Pinaki Bose (11) Sudhin Kumar, Printing Secy. A.I. Students' Conference.

Yours sincerely,

S. Mahamoy
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For, SPECIAL SUPERINTENDENT, I.B.

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OFFICE OF THE Deputy Commissioner of Police,

14, Lord Sinha Road Park Street P.O.,

Memorandum No. P.Y.616/39, dated the 16. 2, 19 40.

To Rai P.K. Biswas Bahadur,

Special Superintendent of Police,

Intelligence Branch, Bengal.

SUBJECT _____

REFERENCE _____

Dear Rai Bahadur,

As requested in your No.1548/758-39(K) dated 2.2.40 I write to inform you that (1) MAHADEB Bhattacharjee (B.P.S.F.,C.L.) is a s/o Jatindra Mohan of Palasdanga, Nakashipara, Nadia, and of 159A, Bowbazar Street, Calcutta.

(2) Sudhamoy Das Gupta, (B.P.S.F.) is a s/o the late Ashutosh, of Outshahi, Tangibari, Dacca, and of 137, Bowbazar Street - (Kolay Building room No.21) Calcutta.

(3) Haren Chatterjee (B.P.S.F.) is a s/o Kamini Kumar of Rahamatpur, Barisal and of 3D, Chandra Mandal Lane, Calcutta.

(4) Shib Prasad Chakravarty (B.P.S.F.) is a s/o J.P. Chakravarty, of Mohini Lodge, Kustiabazar, and of 44, Scotts Lane, Calcutta.

(5) Subrata Roy Choudhury is not known to me but there is one Subrata Roy Choudhury s/o Gunendra of 8, Parasar Road, Calcutta, but I am not sure whether he is identical.

P.T.O.

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Ch.
(6) Tridib Das (B.P.S.F.) is a s/o Sita Kanta of 7A Joynarayan Lane, Bowbazar, Calcutta. He is a Calcutta mai

Ch.
(7) Suren Podder (B.P.S.F.) (C.P.I.) is a s/o of Kanai Lal, of Lohagara, Jessore, and of 7, St. James Square, Calcutta.

Ch.
(8) Kshitibhusan Barman (B.P.S.F., W.C.) is a s/o of the late Kunja Behari of Vidyakot, Nabinagar, Tipperah and of 55, Pratapaditya Road, Calcutta.

Nos. 7, 10 and 11 are not known.

Yours sincerely,

Ch. Sd. G. B. Ray 12/2

FOR DEPUTY COMMISSIONER OF POLICE,
Special Branch, Calcutta.

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CALCUTTA POLICE.

K. S. Pandey

of D. D. Calcutta, dated 20-12- 19 39.
S. B.

Date and hour.	Diary.	Dy. Commissioner's Remarks and Orders.
	<p>Gist of an attached Hindi letter:-</p> <p>From: ^{Dr.} Taggyabalka - Editor "Chatrahani" Agra. Ajmer. To - <u>Subba Ch. Bose</u> Cudd.</p> <p>The writer informs that they are going to publish a monthly illustrated magazine named "Chatrahani" in very near future, & the Editor will be glad to receive an article from the addressee.</p> <p>Submitted</p> <p><u>K. S. Pandey</u> 20/12/39</p>	

Very Secret

SPECIAL BRANCH OFFICE,

14, LORD SINHA ROAD,

Calcutta, the 6.1. 1940.

Memo. No.

(The secrecy of this interception may kindly be maintained.)

Interception by the Inland/Foreign Mail of

the 20th of December 1939.

From Jagyabalka Editor "Chattrabani", Ajmere

To Subhas Ch. Bose of Elgin Road, Calcutta.

Language of letter Hindi

Post office of interception Park St.

Date of letter 21/12

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Review of Hindi Monthly and Magazine entitled "Chhatravani" dated July 1941 edited by the following :-

Portion marked in green at p.2 of the review may be brought to the notice of the Spl. Press Advisor (thru the Press Sec.D.D.).
Sd/- S.C.
5.8.41.

Kumari Bhagawati Sugandh,
Rabi Chandra Jain,
Chouthmal Agrawal,
Kishan Lal Bhalotia,
Rameshwar Mehta.

It is published from 221/2, Strand Bank Road, Calcutta and printed by Abhoy Chandra Sett at The Nava Yubak Press, 3 Commercial Buildings, Calcutta.

D.C.(2). Perusal.
Action as proposed?
Sd/-G.B.Roy.
5.8.41.

Yes send this on to D.C.D.D. for favour of necessary action.
Sd/-J.B.Bhattacharji
5/8.

Press Sec. Consult
P.P. and put up.
Sd/-H.N.S.
6.8.41.

At page 99 in an article entitled "Moonh men Ram Bagal men Churi" (The name of Rama on lips but dagger in the armpit), the writer says that the British Capitalists today say on the beat of drums that they are fighting for the safety of humanity and are begging for the benevolence of the Indian public. But the utter falsehood of these sayings are quite evident from the insult meted out to Sir Hori Singh Gour who is a true helper of the British, whose walls are built on the bones of his loyal forefathers. The incident was that when his house was demolished being hit by a bomb, he went into a hotel for shelter. Here he was turned out saying that he was a "Foreigner, black Asiatic".

The writer says that he is at a loss to understand how one, who calls himself a follower of humanity, can do such acts.

On the same page it is said that the wheels of repression of the British are running fast, and the following comrades have come in its grip.

Com.D.B.Singh, General Secretary of U.P.Students' Federation.

Com.Thakur, Genl.Secy.of Bihar Students' Federation.

Com.Chinmoy Bose, M.A.Com(?)

Submitted.
Sd/- K.S.Pandit.
A.S.I., S.B.
2. 8. 41.

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(Original in D.D. File No. 170(P.R., D.D.))

S.B. may be requested to send us the English translation of the objectionable passages. The objectionable portions may also be marked in the enclosed magazine.

Submitted to A.C., D.D.

Sd/-

O/C.

Press Sec., D.D.

11.8.41.

To A.C., S.B.

Sd/-

A.C., D.D.

11.8.41.

A.S.I., Pandit. Do it v. early.

Sd/- G.B. Roy.

12. 8. 41.

Sir Attached herewith.

Sd/- K.S.P.

16/8.

A.C.D.D. Translation of the offending portion is given below.

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A.C.D.D.

18.8.41.

This is not actionable.

Sd/- P.C. Sen.

P.P.

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WH.

(Original in D.D.File No.170(P.R.D.D.)

Romesh Babu, I do not find the official translation of the
offending article which is in Hindi. I think it is misled in
your office. Please see to it.

Sd/- S.N.Seal.

H.A.

P.P's Office,
Cal.8.8.41.

Translations of the offending articles are sent herewith.

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Press Sec.D.D.
19. 8. 41.

WH.

(Original in D.D. File No. 170(P.R.D.D.))

Translation of the objectionable portion at page 99.

This Way, That Way and by turns.

The wheels of the British repression is running very fast and is taking in its grip the able workers of the student fraction. Comrade D.B. Singh, General Secretary of the U.P. Student Federation, Comrade Thakur, General Secretary of the Bihar Student Federation, Com. Chinmoy Bose M.A. leader's names are worth mention.

Submitted.

Sd/- D.S. Pandit.
A.S.I., S.B.
16. 8. 41.

This not actionable.
Sd/- D.C. Sen, P.P.
22/8.

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Press Sect.

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May now be sent to S.B. for information and favour of return.
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A.C.D.D.
26.8.41.

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